

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE
AT GREENEVILLE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)	
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v.)	No. 2:17-CR-12
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QUINTON DEWITT HATCHER)	

ORDER

This criminal matter is before the Court to consider the report and recommendation of the United States Magistrate Judge dated December 1, 2017. In that report and recommendation, the Magistrate Judge recommends that this Court grant the defendant's motion to withdraw his not guilty pleas, accept the defendant's pleas of guilty to Count One, Count Twenty-Nine, and Count Thirty of the Indictment, and adjudge the defendant guilty of those counts as set forth in the Indictment, [Doc. 547].

On December 1, 2017, United States Magistrate Judge Clifton Corker conducted a plea hearing in this case, at which he found the defendant fully capable and competent to enter an informed plea. The Magistrate Judge further found that the defendant understood the nature of the charges and penalties provided by law, and that he knowingly and voluntarily entered his pleas of guilty, with full understanding of all rights he was waiving, and free from any force, threats, or promises. An agreed factual basis was previously filed in this case, [Doc. 544]. The time for the parties to object has passed.

After reviewing the record, this Court finds that no plea agreement was filed in this case. Therefore, all terms in the Magistrate Judge's report and recommendation regarding a plea agreement should be discarded. Otherwise, the Court agrees with the Magistrate Judge's report and recommendation. Accordingly, the Court ACCEPTS and ADOPTS the Magistrate Judge's report and recommendation as modified, [Doc. 537], ADOPTS the admissions made by the defendant at the change of plea hearing, and ORDERS as follows:

- (1) The defendant's pleas of guilty as to Count One, Count Twenty-Nine, and Count Thirty of the Indictment are ACCEPTED;
- (2) The defendant is hereby ADJUDGED guilty of the charges set forth in Count One, Count Twenty-Nine, and Count Thirty of the Indictment; and
- (3) The defendant SHALL REMAIN in custody until sentencing in this matter which is currently scheduled to take place on March 19, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. before the Honorable J. Ronnie Greer.

ENTER:

s/J. RONNIE GREER
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE